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Trestleboard

June/July 2017
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Crow Canyon Lodge
No. 551
F&AM of California
Chartered October 11, 1923



Calendar of Events

JUNE

- 06/01 - Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 06/08 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 06/13 - Tuesday** - Joint District (317&319) Officer's School of Instruction (DOSI) @ Siminoff Lodge (Masonic Home) - Dinner 6:00 PM / School 7:00 PM
- 06/15 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 06/22 - Thursday** - Practice TBD
- 06/29 - Thursday** - DARK

JULY

- 07/06 - Thursday** - Stated Meeting - Social 5:30 PM / Dinner 6:15 PM / Open 7:30 PM
- 07/23 - Sunday** - Strawberry Feed at the Masonic Home - 10:30 AM Setup / 1:00 PM Serve

Have a
Great
Summer
Break!



Appendant and Concordant Bodies

- ◆ San Lorenzo Chapter Eastern Star No. 103 meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Monday (8:00 PM)
- ◆ Alchor White Shrine meets @ CVMC 2nd & 4th Friday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Castro Valley DeMolay meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Monday (7:30 PM)
- ◆ Unity Assembly Rainbow No. 65 meets @ CVMC 1st & 3rd Tuesday (7:00 PM)
- ◆ Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 261 Hayward meets 1st & 3rd Monday (7:00 PM) @ Hayward Masonic Center
- ◆ Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 1 Dublin meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday (7:00 PM) @ John Knox Church

From the East

By Alex Von Stade—Worshipful Master

Brethren:

The month of June is now upon us and it is difficult to believe that 2017 is nearly half gone. With the month of June comes the official start of the summer season. It is the time that gardeners like myself start our annual vegetable gardens. I will spend many hours cultivating the soil and preparing the seed-beds for vegetables that will be harvested in the Fall. It is also the time to plan those summer get away vacations to enjoy the warm days and long summer nights.

During last month's Stated Meeting, we elected two individuals to receive the degrees of masonry in our lodge. It is anticipated that we will vote on at least two more applicants during our next stated meeting. Additional applicants may also appear in future months as well. Due to the arrival of these new candidates, the line officers have been gearing up to conduct First Degree conferrals. All members are invited to attend and/or participate in these events. These new individuals will also need coaches in the future. If any Master Masons are interested in coaching, please let me or the Senior Warden know.

I would like to thank all of the brothers that hosted, cooked, and participated in last month's Sweet Heart Event. This event was well attended and there was a plentiful supply of food provided for all the attendees. Special thanks need to be given to Worshipful Kurt Allen and Brother Phil Busch and his family for working on this event.



Annual Strawberry Feed

As in the past, and for the most part, the Lodge will be dark for the month of July with the exception of the required monthly Stated Meeting. This summer "break" will allow the Lodge Officers and members to spend time with their families. The annual Strawberry Feed is scheduled for July 23, 2017. This event, like those in the past, is being coordinated by

Worshipful Katz.

Until next time, have a good summer.



From the West

By Robert Eckstein, PM—Senior Warden

Brethren:

How would you like to have your child, grandchild, or you build a Lego model of a Masonic Building? There is such a project in the works and it needs your support. Go to

<https://ideas.lego.com/projects/159780>,

register at the site, and vote for this project. The project needs 2,000 votes for it to move to Lego's Development Department. If approved you could buy this kit and build this Historic Masonic building.

We are still discovering Crow Canyon Lodges culture. The Executive Committee believes a meeting in the Lodge would work best to obtain everyone's input. Date and time to follow.

We discovered Grand Lodge was no longer hosting our website. Wor. Katz, our webmaster, has identified a company to host us and is in final negotiations. While doing this Bro Ron felt the current website needed a refresh. We expect the new site should be available the first week of June. We will update its location on the Grand Lodge web site, so look there or the Lodge App to give it a "look see."

If you have not put the Lodge App on your smartphone you should. It is the best way to see what is going on and planned for the Lodge. The instructions on how to install it were printed in our May Trestleboard.

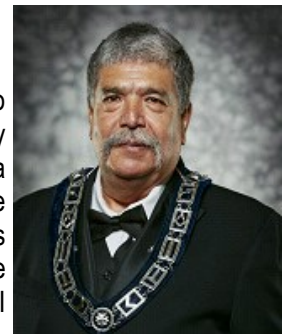
Our Sweetheart's brunch last month was very nice and it was wonderful seeing our ladies. Many thanks to Chairman and Jr. Steward Phil Busch for the great work.

From the South

By Alvaro Reynoso, PM—Junior Warden

As I sit to write this article I start to make the same recollection of my time in Masonry. Ever since I was a teenager I always entertained the hope of one day being a part of this wonderful brotherhood, but at the same time in my ignorance I thought I that it was beyond my social, intellectual and economic possibility. Therefore, I gave on up the idea of ever becoming a Mason. But when I least expected it, by good luck or by act of divine providence, Brother Roy Tamez crossed my path. Thanks to him my dream came true.

Throughout the last 20 years I have seen occasions when the Lodge is in need, especially in the line of officers, and time after time I have seen that there is no lack of good brothers coming to



the aid of the lodge. In that regard, I'm inviting all who would like to actively participate in our ritual to come and practice with us every Thursday at 7:00 PM. When we have officers practice all Master Masons are cordially invited to participate or observe.

From the Secretary's Table

By Don Schauer, Sr., H.A.

This being our June and July trestleboard it is time to reflect on our numbers.

We currently have 17 EA with an average age of 53.47. We have 6 FC with an average age of 53.17. Finally we have 284 MM with an average age of 71.44. This makes a total of 307 members with an average age of 70.08.



Type	Count	Average Age
Entered Apprentice (EA)	17	53.47
Fellow Craft (FC)	6	53.17
Master Mason (MM)	284	71.44
Total Summary	307	70.08



The numbers are a good sign, they show that the lodge is getting a little younger each year. The downside, is that we are losing members due to attrition, faster than they are joining. This means fewer people to share in the expenses of running a lodge. That is why it is important to pay your dues. Check your dues receipt, if it doesn't say good through 2017, send a check right away.

Masonic Family Corner

Castro Valley DeMolay - Castro Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay is rebuilding and could use any help or assistance you might provide. DeMolay is open to any young man between the ages of 12 and 21. Relation to a Mason is not a requirement for membership. Please contact our new Chapter Dad - Steven Kolden at 510.409.6118 or email papakolden@gmail.com.

Learn more about Masonic Youth Orders

DeMolay

DeMolay International - www.demolay.org

Northern California DeMolay - www.norcaldemolay.com

Job's Daughters

Job's Daughters International - www.jobsdaughtersinternational.org

International Order of Job's Daughters, California - www.caijod.org

Rainbow for Girls

Rainbow for Girls Supreme Assembly - www.gorainbow.org

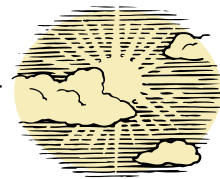
Rainbow for Girls California Grand Assembly - www.caiorg.org

Learn more at Masons4Youth.org

Sunshine and Visiting

These Brothers would love a phone call or e-mail from you to help cheer them up:

Howard Marmor, Sandy Kahn, Mark Casperson, Gary Frisvold, Kjell Bomark-Noel



Please contact Secretary Don Schauer for their respective phone numbers.

If you know of a brother who is ill and could use some cheer please call Ernie or Les.

Ernie Nidick—Sunshine Chairman 925.828.6993 bev2ern@comcast.net

Les Blake—Visiting Chairman 510.581.8497 cherlois@sbcglobal.net



In Memoriam

Great Architect of the Universe, into thine hands we commend the souls of our dear departed brothers!



William T. Stephenson
Entered into rest

97 years, 10 months and 21 days
February 2, 2017

June/July Birthdays

Robert Eckstein (06/01)	Tony Wilkinson (07/01)
Ace Gilbert (06/02)	Barry Bookman (07/02)
Dain Warton (06/04)	Donald Clendenen (07/05)
Dewayne Clark (06/08)	Hedley Bourke (07/06)
Mark Parinas (06/08)	Joseph Elleard (07/06)
Marshall Field (06/09)	Glen Barth (07/07)
Jack Allen (06/12)	Harold Burk (07/07)
Paul Rodriguez-Obrian (06/14)	Fred Avery (07/08)
Benjamin Newmarker (06/15)	William Strain (07/08)
Peter Amato (06/17)	Denis Beaman (07/09)
Lee White (06/17)	Donald Jensen (07/09)
Leo Rizzo (06/18)	Jody Juracich (07/11)
Floyd Fawcett (06/21)	Paul Amato (07/13)
John Erman (06/23)	Les Blake (07/14)
Leland Peck (06/23)	Glen Sears (07/15)
Lester Bridge (06/24)	William Ferrell (07/17)
Harold Dias (06/24)	Nick Sears (07/22)
Ray Michardi (06/24)	Ronald Garcia (07/23)
Jason Deitschman (06/27)	Bob Ficken (07/25)
Howard Marmor (06/27)	Eric Korbas (07/26)
John Mc Carthy (06/27)	Earl Kresge (07/26)
Donald Schauer (06/27)	Earl Woodson (07/29)
John Freestone (06/30)	
John Teixeira (07/01)	
Ronald Vandenberghe (07/01)	

3rd Degree Anniversaries

The following brethren were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in the months of June/July.

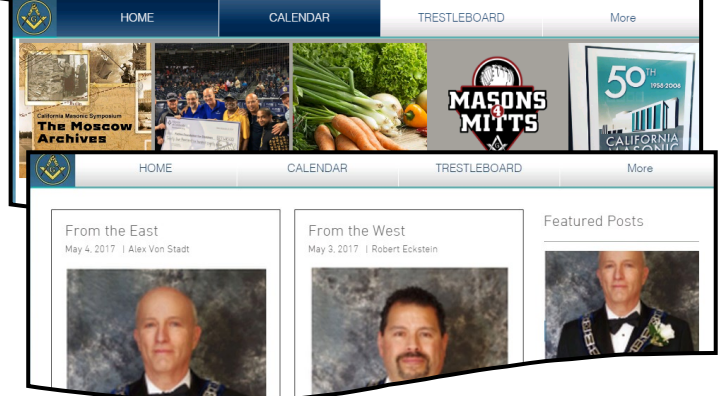
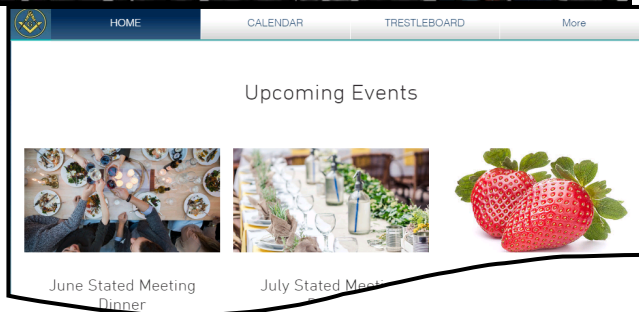
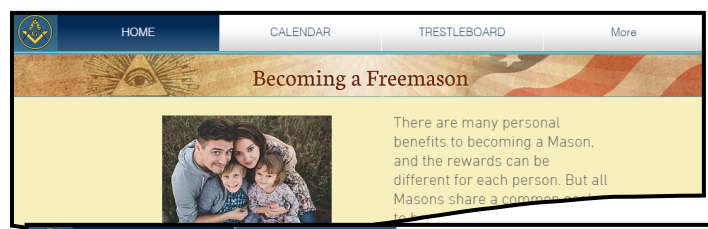
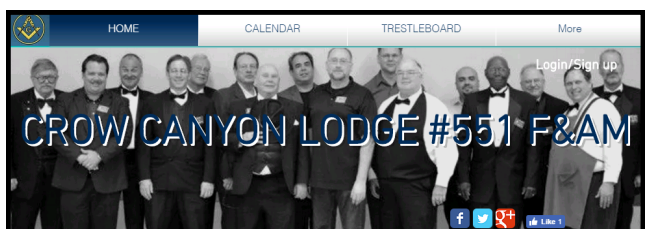
JUNE	
Leonard Ambrose [PM] (49)	Robert Peters [PM] (54)
Jared Andreotti (17)	Jonathan Prestage (5)
Edward Auguadro [PM] (40)	Larry Richardson [PM] (52)
Gilbert Brownfield (30)	Jose Rodriguez Jr. (60)
Jimmy Burns (35)	Ronald Selvey (38)
Vernon Cumins (67)	Edgar Smith (37)
John Davenport Jr. [PM] (58)	Joseph Stewart (23)
Joseph Elleard [PM] (61)	Scotty Stroup (47)
Herbert Freeman (44)	Gene Tague Sr. (31)
Kevin Gray (29)	Roy Tamez [PM] (32)
Erik Hoffmann (3)	Clarence Teeters (45)
Mark Kahn (51)	Frank Thrall Jr. (20)
Frederick Kao [PM] (35)	Gary Tucker (27)
Albert Keshishian (63)	Ronald Vandenberghe (52)
Eric Korbas (3)	Victor Vandenberghe (41)
Earl Kresge (38)	Kurt Von Brauch (38)
Jeffery Lantz (49)	David Weaver (35)
Roger Lemon (65)	David Wipf (40)
Robert Logan [PM] (24)	
John Mc Carthy (48)	JULY
Raymond Michardi (35)	Kevin Hulme (18)
Henry Miller Jr. [PM] (44)	Clyde Lyerla (60)
Edgar O'Hara (30)	Ernest Nidick Jr. (57)
	James Stanford (18)
	Gordon Warder [PM] (19)

Crow Canyon 551 New Website - ccl551.org

Crow Canyon Lodge has a new home on the web: <https://www.ccl551.org>

This new website showcases our lodge in a new and vibrant way. We will be adding features to our site as the months go on.

Here are some screen shots:



[ccl551.org](https://www.ccl551.org)

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2017 Committees

Appointments

Executive Committee: Alex Von Stade, Robert Eckstein, Alvaro Reynoso, Kurt Allen, Don Schauer

Masonic Charity: Three Principle Officers

Sunshine: Ernie Nidick & Les Blake

Masonic Hall Association: Pat Quinn

Masonic Homes Endowment: Don Schauer

Membership Retention: Don Schauer & Alex Von Stade

Audit: Bob Pinkerton

Masonic Funeral: Kurt Allen, Bill Ferrell & All Officers

Events

White Table Night: Alex Von Stade & Robert Eckstein

Hiram Award Festivities: Robert Eckstein & Alex Von Stade

Festive Boards & Feasts: Paul Rodriguez-O'Brian & Glenn Sears

Crab & Pasta Feed: Don Schauer & Roy Tamez

Strawberry Feed: Ron Katz

Public Schools Night: Eric Unti & Bill Ferrell

Child ID: David Allen & Roy Tamez

Sweetheart Events: Phil Busch & Kurt Allen

Visitation: Don Schauer, Kurt Allen & Robert Eckstein

Masonic Formation and Education: Robert Eckstein & Alex Von Stade

Masonic Youth Orders

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